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The MAILING DATE of this communication appe All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS ( herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIG of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313	(OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this app or other appropriate communication GHTS. This application is subject to	plication. If not included will be mailed in due course. THIS	ive
1. 🔀 This communication is responsive to <u>an Applicant's Reques</u>	st for Continued Examination (RCE)	filed on October 1, 2004.	
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 8-10.			
3. $\boxtimes$ The drawings filed on <u>21 January 2004</u> are accepted by the	e Examiner.		
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<ul> <li>Attachment(s)</li> <li>1. ☑ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)</li> <li>2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)</li> <li>3. ☑ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/0 Paper No./Mail Date 093004</li> <li>4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material</li> </ul>	6. ☐ Interview Summary Paper No./Mail Date  7. ☐ Examiner's Amendm		

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## **EXAMINER'S COMMENT**

1. An Applicant's Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed on October 1, 2004 has been entered. Overall, claims 8-10 are pending in this application.

## Allowable Subject Matter

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claimed system to activate a catalytic converter by making an unfueled interval between two auxiliary injections longer when a temperature of the catalytic converter is lower than a predetermined value; is not disclosed nor rendered obvious by the prior art of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

## Prior Art

- 3. The IDS (PTO-1449) filed on September 30, 2004 has been considered. An initialized copy is attached hereto.
- 4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure and consists of one patent: Fluga et al. (U.S. Patent 6,536,209) further discloses a state of the art.

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## Communication

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner Tu Nguyen whose telephone number is (703) 308-2833 or (571) 272-4862 to be effective on November 24, 2004.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Thomas E. Denion, can be reached on (703) 308-2623 or (571) 272-4859 to be effective on November 24, 2004. The fax phone number for this group is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1148.

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